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In re application of: KENJI OSE

Application No. 09/992,597

Filed: November 14, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3682

For: SWITCH STYLE BICYCLE SHIFF CONTROL DEVICE

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

- A petition to extend time to respond in the above-identified prior application complying with the OG Notice of June 14, 1984 is enclosed.
- Please enter the amendment under §1.116 dated and unentered in the prior nonprovisional application.
- [X] Please enter the enclosed amendment.
- [X] Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 with copies of cited references.
- Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required).
- [X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503).

The required fees have been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	
TOTAL	24	MINUS	25	0	
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[X] RCE fee \$ 740

[] Claims fee \$_

Time extension fee \$

[X] A check for \$\frac{740}{} is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted, **DELAND LAW OFFICE**

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In re application of:) Examiner: C. Kim
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Commissioner:

This is a response to the office action dated August 5, 2002. A request for continued examination accompanies this amendment. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 34 as follows:

34. (Twice Amended) A bicycle shift control device comprising:

a base member;

a rotatable dial coupled to the base member for rotation around a rotational axis, wherein the rotatable dial is exposed to the outside;

a motion limiting structure coupled to the base member and to the rotatable dial that limits a range of rotation of the rotatable dial relative the base member to a predefined arc;

a finger contact projection extending from the rotatable dial in a direction of the rotational axis;

wherein the finger contact projection is structured to prohibit the extension of a finger between all portions of the finger contact projection and the rotatable dial; and

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